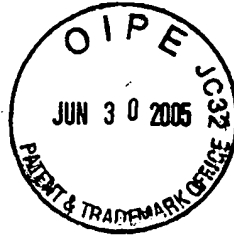


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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application Of:  
Kiamars Hajizadeh and Zakir S. Murtaza  
Application No.: 09/993,391  
Confirmation No.: 4943  
Filed On: November 14, 2001



Examiner: Counts, Gary W.

Art Unit: 1641

For: Rapid Prion - Detection Assay

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Dear Sir:

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on
- ii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other

## 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 23-0280
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☒ Other Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$1280.00 RCE (\$790.00); Extension of Time Fee (\$490.00)
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

Name (Print/Type) Roger M. Stein

Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 31,882

Signature

Date June 27, 2005

**CERTIFICATE OF HAND DELIVERY**

I hereby certify that this correspondence and/or fee is being hand delivered to Attention: Mail RCE, Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Name (Print/Type) Carol J. Wiechers

Signature

Date June 27, 2005